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Church claims CIA tested chemicals in Chester, Pa.

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WASHINGTON — The Church of Scientology claims an analysis of Central Intelligence Agency documents shows the CIA may have conducted open-air chemical and biological testing in Chester, Pa., in 1957, according to a published report.

The analysis is the latest in a series of reports on CIA documents prepared by the Scientologists, and it falls short of proving that testing actually was conducted on the streets of Chester, the Philadelphia Inquirer reported today. The CIA refused to confirm or deny the new report, which was to be delivered to Congress today.